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# DOMINICAN AND VENEZUELAN FORCES

#### I. Gross Figures

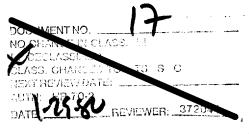
Personnel	Dominican Republic (est)	Venezuela
Army Strength	15,000	14,500
Navy Strength	3,500	•
Air Strength	4,500 (includes 2900 in ground combat division)	cludes 2400 marines
National Guard (Security)		2,800 6,000
National Police	3,000	
"Foreign Legion"	2,500	***
TOTAL	28,500	28,600

II. Major Equipment

	Dominican Republic	
Naval Vessels	1 Destroyer 8 Patrol Escorts 5 Sub Chasers 4 Amphibious Vessels	Venezuela 3 Destroyers 6 Destroyer Escorts 4 Amphibious (LSM) (Plus several Auxiliaries)
		(Plus consider able coastal and ocean

Aircraft

	merch <b>a</b> nt ships)
32 Vampire (jet) 37 F-51 48 AT6G 16 F47D (non-opnl) 5-10 B25 and 26 1 B17 8 Transport	14 Vampire (jet) 16 Venom (jet) 18 F86F (jet) 5 jet trainers 14 Canberra (jet) 14 B-25 111 other piston





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#### III. Notes.

- A. Venezuelan Air Force appears have greater offensive capability.

  Dominican Air Force appears have poor maintenance.
  - 1. Venezuelan AF: 3 Ftr Sqdns, 3 Bmr Sqdns, 1 Rcn Sqdn.
  - 2. Dominican AF: 1 Ftr-Bmr Gp, 1 Ftr Gp, 1 L Bmr Sqdn, 1 Tpt Sqdn.
- B. Venezuelan Army organized into:
  - 1 Cav Regt 17 BNS (10 Inf, 2 Arty, 2 Armd, 1 AAA, 1 MP, 1 Engr)
- C. Dominican Army fairly scattered, organized into:
  - 5 Brigades (each of 1-3 Inf Regts size of US WWII Inf Bn)
  - 1 Arty Gp (11 Btrys w/ 75 mm guns and 105 mm Hows.
  - 1 Shock Bn (anti-landing)

Presidential Gd (small Inf Regt)

- Most effective ground combat unit is Air Force (ground) Combat
   Div (2900) with Inf Regt, Arty Gp, Armed Bn and much new equipment.
- 2. Foreign Legion mostly Dominicans, but some impressed Europeans and Mercenaries.